**REMARKS** 

Claim 1 has been amended to make it clear that the operating system is not booted until after a user input has been detected, a graphical user interface has been generated, and an input has

been received from the user through the graphical user interface.

None of this happens in Skelton. For example, referring to Figure 11 of Skelton, before the sequence cited in the office action, note that at step 202, the system boots up. Thus, when the password entry and other steps occur at block 212, etc. the system is already booted up.

Likewise, in Figure 12A, note that before the password 330 is received there is always a boot either at 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, or 332. There is simply no way to use the system of Skelton without booting up first.

Thus, Skelton fails to anticipate the claimed invention and reconsideration would be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 6, 2008

Timothy N. Trop, Reg. No. 28,994 TROP, PRUNER & HU, P.C. 1616 South Voss Road, Suite 750 Houston, TX 77057-2631 713/468-8880 [Phone] 713/468-8883 [Fax]

Attorneys for Intel Corporation